IN THE ABSTRACT:

Please amend the Abstract as follows:

--A moving image is divided on the basis of a plurality of items of

additional data which indicate states upon sensing the moving image. The additional data

is added to the moving image and is able to be read out for each item from the moving

image. An item group formed of one or a plurality of items selected from the plurality of

items is defined, and division information corresponding to the item group is generated on

the basis of the additional data of the items which belong to the item group. In a case that a

plurality of division information are generated in correspondence with a plurality of item

groups, the plurality of division information generated for each item group are

hierarchized, and division positions are added. The division information is held in

correspondence with the moving image data. ~~This invention has as its object to allow the~~

~~user to quickly find out a desired position and to facilitate a playback process and edit~~

~~process even when a moving image is divided into many intervals depending on the~~

~~operations and changes in state of an image sensing device. More specifically, in a moving~~

~~image processing method, which reads out and processes, moving image data for which~~

~~camera appended information including division information, which is required to divide a~~

~~moving image and is generated based on each of data of a plurality of items that indicate~~

~~states upon sensing the moving image, is registered so as to be able to be read out for each~~

~~item, (step S1001), an item group (viewpoint) formed of one or a plurality of items selected~~

~~from the plurality of items is defined, and sub-shots corresponding to the item group are~~

~~generated by integrating one or a plurality of pieces of division information corresponding~~

to the items that belong to the item group (step S1002). Such sub shots are generated for a plurality of different item groups, and are held in correspondence with the moving image data (step S1004).--